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and we have read the foregoing specification and claims and we verily believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the invention entitled PROCESSES FOR PREPARING MECHANICAL PULPS HAVING HIGH BRIGHTNESS

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